

12. (New) A method as claimed in claim 2 wherein the raw AEP signal is sampled as regular intervals to produce a digitized AEP signal.

13. (New) A method as claimed in claim 3 wherein the raw AEP signal is sampled at regular intervals to produce a digitized AEP signal.

14. (New) A method as claimed in claim 4 wherein the raw AEP signal is sampled at regular intervals to produce a digitized AEP signal.

15. (New) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein an indication of coarseness is obtained by measuring the differences between neighboring sample points.

16. (New) A method as claimed in claim 2 wherein an indication of coarseness is obtained by measuring the differences between neighboring sample points.

17. (New) A method as claimed in claim 3 wherein an indication of coarseness is obtained by measuring the differences between neighboring sample points.

18. (New) A method as claimed in claim 4 wherein an indication of coarseness is obtained by measuring the differences between neighboring sample points.

19. (New) A method as claimed in claim 5 wherein an indication of coarseness is obtained by measuring the differences between neighboring sample points.

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